



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall (JBM-HH) Policy Memorandum ES-9, Arming of Military Police (MP), Department of the Army Civilian Police (DACP), Department of the Army Security Guards (DASG) and Augmentees (Non-MP)

1. REFERENCES.

- a. Army Regulation 190-14, Carrying of Firearms and Use of Force for Law Enforcement and Security Duties, dated 12 March 2013
- b. Army Regulation 190-11, Physical Security of Arms, Ammunition and Explosives, dated 5 September 2013
- c. Army Regulation 525-13, Antiterrorism, dated 11 September 2008
- d. Soldier Training Publication (STP) 19-31B1-SM, Soldiers Manual, MOS 31B, Military Police, Skill Level 1
- e. ST 19-31B, United States Army Military Police Field Training Manual
- f. MDW Policy Memorandum #19, Commander's Memorandum Concerning the Arming of MP/DACP/DASG/CG and Augmentees (Non-MP), dated 13 October 2010.
- g. DOD Directive 5210.56, Carrying of Firearms and the Use of Force by DOD Personnel Engaged in Security, Law and Order, or Counterintelligence Activities, dated 1 Apr 2011.

2. PURPOSE. To provide specific guidance concerning the arming of MP, DACP, DASG and augmentees (non-MP) performing law enforcement, access control, and security duties on Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall (JBM-HH), Fort McNair, Arlington National Cemetery, Soldier Airmen National Cemetery and Air Force Memorial, which will be referred to as the JBM-HH community throughout the remainder of this memorandum.

3. APPLICABILITY. This policy memorandum applies to all MP, DACP, DASG and augmentees (non-MP) assigned OPCON or TACON to JBM-HH Director of Emergency Services (DES)/Provost Marshal (PM) as mentioned above.

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#### 4. POLICY.

a. The Joint Base Commander will determine the arming status of MP, DACP, DASG and augmentees performing law enforcement, access control and security duties by balancing their evaluation of the threat to the installation with the inherent risks associated with increasing arming status. The following factors will be considered when changing the arming status:

(1) Current law enforcement threat information (on post and surrounding off-post areas).

(2) High profile/recurring special events (particularly if they involve open house-type public access to installation property).

(3) Historic/current crime trends (timing, frequency, levels of violence, etc.).

(4) Current training/skill proficiency programs.

b. The DES/PM will provide subject matter expertise, recommendations and supervision of the execution of installation law enforcement, access control and security operations to the Joint Base Commander. The DES/PM will ensure comprehension of and adherence to this policy by all DACP, MPs, DASG and augmentees when operationally controlled during their performance of law enforcement and/or security duties.

c. MP/DACP performing law enforcement duties will carry their assigned pistol (M9 or M11), loaded magazine inserted with round chambered (weapons status RED).

d. Department of the Army Guards (DASG) manning access control points (ACPs) will carry their assigned weapon (M9 or M11), loaded magazine inserted, with round chambered (weapons status RED).

e. Augmentees will be used at higher FPCONs to fortify ACPs, search areas, Mission Essential Vulnerable Areas (MEVAs) and perimeter guards. Types of weapon at each location will be dictated IAW MDW FPCON Uniform Matrix (Enclosure 1), and weapons status will be the same as DASG, or as directed by the Joint Base Commander or his representative (DES/PM).

f. When assigned, MP/DACP performing law enforcement duties will carry their assigned rifle (M4 or M16), unloaded in their patrol vehicle trunk rifle rack or weapon storage container. The ammunition will be stored inside ammunition container located inside of vehicle.

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g. All personnel must qualify semiannually with their assigned weapon and will receive a use-of-force briefing quarterly (training will be documented).

## 5. PROCEDURES.

### a. Definitions:

(1) Military Police/Department of the Army Civilian Police (MP/DACP): Trained law enforcement personnel, MP or DACP, performing law enforcement duties on the installation.

(2) Department of the Army Security Guards (DASG): Individuals responsible for access control and searches of all vehicular and pedestrian entry points into JBM-HH. In addition serves as a reactionary force to threats on JBM-HH.

(3) Augmentee: Non-law enforcement military personnel assigned from either internal or external organizations, performing security and guard force duties on the installation. Augmentees are not authorized to perform law enforcement duties.

(4) Arming Status: Brevity code description of the weapon and ammunition conditions:

(a) GREEN. Weapon issued. Rounds/magazines are issued to individuals but not inserted/loaded into weapons (i.e., stored in ammo pouch)

(b) AMBER. Rounds/magazines inserted/loaded into weapon. Ammo not loaded into chamber of weapon (requires deliberation action to place weapon into ready-to-fire configuration).

(c) RED. Ammunition loaded into chamber with weapon safety engaged. Weapon is in ready-to-fire configuration.

### b. Oncoming and off-going personnel procedures:

(1) Oncoming and off-going DACP (and DASG upon assumption of duties) will utilize the clearing barrel behind the DES. The shift supervisor will supervise the loading and holstering for oncoming, and unloading and clearing for off-going, for all DACPs and DASGs. Investigators and the Traffic Section will supervise within their sections when assuming duties and leaving for the day.

(2) Oncoming and off-going MPs will utilize the clearing barrel adjacent to their company area (Bldg 417). The patrol supervisor is responsible for proper loading and unloading procedures IAW their company policy.

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(3) Supervisors must remain vigilant when operating at weapons status RED and follow proper loading and unloading procedures as outlined in Enclosure 2.

(4) Accidental/negligent discharges will be reported immediately to the Chief of Police, DES/PM and 289<sup>th</sup> MP CO chain-of-command (if applicable).

6. PROPONENT. The JBM-HH Director of Emergency Services/Provost Marshal is the proponent and point-of-contact for this policy letter, at (703)696-3197.

Encl:

1. MDW FPCON Uniform  
Matrix
2. Loading/Unloading Procedures  
at the Clearing Barrel



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Encl 1

**U.S. Army Military District of Washington  
Force Protection Conditions (FPCON)  
Uniform/Equipment Matrix**

(Enclosure 1)

FPCON	MP Uniform	DACP Uniform	DASG Uniform	Augmentee Uniform	Arming Status	Ammunition
<b>NORMAL:</b> Applies when no discernible terrorist activity is evident.  (Normal Procedures)	Black Beret/Soft Cap, ACU, L&O Gear, Level IIIA body armor	Duty Headgear, Duty Uniform, LE Gear, Level IIIA body armor	Duty Headgear, Duty Uniform, Security Gear, Level IIIA body armor	Black Beret/Soft Cap, ACU, LBVI/BA Gear, Level IIIA or unit issued body armor	MP/DACP/DASG: M-9/M-4/Shotgun AUG: M-9/M-4/M-16 (if issued), Arming Status directed by DES & Garrison Commander	M-9(3) Mags, 45 rounds (15 rounds each), M-4(2) Mags (30 rounds each) Shotgun: Max Load
<b>ALPHA:</b> Applies when general threat possible but not creditable or imminent.  (Awareness Procedures)	Black Beret/Soft Cap, ACU, L&O Gear, Level IIIA body armor	Duty Headgear, Duty Uniform, LE Gear, Level IIIA body armor	Duty Headgear, Duty Uniform, Security Gear, Level IIIA body armor	Black Beret/Soft Cap, ACU, LBVI/BA Gear, Level IIIA or unit issued body armor	MP/DACP/DASG: M-9/M-4/Shotgun AUG: M-9/M-4/M-16 (if issued), Arming Status directed by DES & Garrison Commander	M-9(3) Mags, 45 rounds (15 rounds each), M-4(3) Mags (30 rounds each) Shotgun: Max Load
<b>BRAVO:</b> Applies when intelligence indicates predictable threat exist.  (Sustained Procedures)	Black Beret /Soft Cap, Helmet in reach, ACU, L&O Gear, Level IIIA body armor	Duty Headgear, Duty Uniform, LE Gear, Level IIIA body armor	Duty Headgear, Duty Uniform, Security Gear, Level IIIA body armor	Black Beret/Soft Cap, Helmet in reach, ACU, LBVI/BA Gear, Level IIIA or unit issued body armor	MP/DACP/DASG: M-9/M-4/Shotgun AUG: M-9/M-4/M-16 (if issued), Arming Status "Red" or as directed by DES & Garrison Commander	M-9(3) Mags, 45 rounds (15 rounds each), M-4(4) Mags (30 rounds each) Shotgun: Max Load
<b>CHARLIE:</b> Applies when intelligence indicates threats are creditable and immediate action necessary.  (Hardened Procedures)	Helmet, Soft Cap, ACU, L&O/LBVI/BA Gear, Level IIIA body armor or higher	Duty Headgear, Duty Uniform, LE Gear, Level IIIA body armor or higher	Duty Headgear, Duty Uniform, Security Gear, Level IIIA body armor or higher	Helmet, Soft Cap, ACU, LBVI/BA Gear, Level IIIA or unit issued body armor	MP/DACP/DASG: M-9/M-4/Shotgun AUG: M-9/M-4/M-16/ M-249/M-240B, Patrol/Armored Vehicle at Entry Point, Arming Status "Red"	M-9(3) Mags, 45 rounds (15 rounds each), M-4(6) Mags (30 rounds each), Shotgun: Max Load M-249/M-240B: Designated Base Load
<b>DELTA:</b> Applies when intelligence indicates threats are imminent and/or if incident occurs.  (Lockdown Procedures)	Helmet, ACU, L&O/LBVI/BA Gear, Level IIIA body armor or higher, M-40 Protective Mask & JSJLSLI Chemical Suit	Helmet, Duty Uniform, LE Gear, Level IIIA body armor or higher, M-40 Protective Mask	Helmet, Duty Uniform, Security Gear, Level IIIA body armor or higher, M-40 Protective Mask	Helmet, ACU, LBVI/BA Gear, Level IIIA or unit issued body armor, M-40 Protective Mask & JSJLSLI Chemical Suit	MP/DACP/DASG: M-9/M-4/Shotgun AUG: M-9/M-4/M-16/ M-249/M-240B or other designated Heavy Weapons, Patrol/Armored Vehicle at entry Point, Arming Status "Red"	M-9(3) Mags, 45 rounds (15 rounds each), M-4(6) Mags (30 rounds each), Shotgun: Max Load M-249/M-240B/Heavy Wps: Designated Base Load

**Note:**  
Above mentioned brevity codes are incorporated during increased FPCONs and are subject to equipment availability which may, or may not exist on MDW installations.

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Encl 2

LOADING AND UNLOADING PROCEDURES AT THE CLEARING BARREL

1. Loading:

- a. Ensure weapon is on safe and finger is off the trigger.
- b. Point weapon muzzle into the clearing barrel.
- c. Insert loaded magazine into the weapon.
- d. Pull slide to the rear, chambering a round.
- e. Keeping finger off the trigger, holster the weapon and fasten the holster.

2. Unloading:

- a. Facing the clearing barrel, unholster the weapon and point muzzle at the clearing barrel, keeping finger off the trigger.
- b. Release the magazine and secure it in ammo pouch or pocket.
- c. Lock the slide to the rear, acknowledging ejection of the round.
- d. Visually and physically inspect to ensure no round is still present in the chamber.
- e. Allow slide to go forward.
- f. Take weapon off safe.
- g. Pull the trigger.
- h. Place weapon on safe and lock the slide to the rear.
- i. Holster weapon with slide to the rear.
- j. Retrieve ejected round and proceed to turn in weapon and ammunition.